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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Leah E. Appel, et al.

Examiner: S. Gollamudi

APPLICATION NO.: 09/745,095

FILING DATE: December 20, 2000

: Group Art Unit: 1616

TITLE: Hydrogel-Driven Drug Dosage Form

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on June 3, 2005, and having an original period for response of three-months, which expired on September 3, 2005, be extended by three- month(s), such that it expires on December 3, 2005.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$1,020.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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